

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (previously presented) A fragment projectile, comprising:

 a projectile casing having a hollow interior space;

 heavy metal fragments filling at least half of the hollow space;

 an ejector charge disposed at the rear of the hollow space to eject the fragments from the projectile casing, when activated, during the flight of the projectile, the ejector charge causing the projectile casing to rupture at most at an opening in the front of the projectile casing through which the fragments are ejected; and

 means for activating the ejector charge at a desired time during the flight of the projectile.

Claim 2. (original) The projectile according to claim 1, wherein the means for activating, activates the charge at a predetermined time during the flight of the projectile.

Claim 3. (original) The projectile according to claim 2, wherein the means for activating is a timer.

Claim 4. (original) The fragment projectile according to claim 1, wherein the fragment projectile is a subcaliber projectile provided with a propelling cage sabot.

Claim 5. (original) The fragment projectile according to claim 4, wherein the fragments are spherical.

Claim 6. (original) The fragment projectile according to claim 5, wherein the fragments comprise tungsten heavy metal.

Claim 7. (currently amended) The fragment projectile according to claim 1, wherein the means for activating includes a timer or proximity fuse to ignite the ejector charge.

Claim 8. (original) The fragment projectile according to claim 1, wherein the fragments are spherical

Claim 9. (currently amended) The fragment projectile according to claim 8, wherein the fragments are formed of tungsten heavy metal.

Claim 10. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 1, further comprising fins that stabilize the projectile during flight.

Claim 11. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 1, wherein the ejector charge is a pyrotechnical ejector charge that pushes the fragments out of the opening in the front of the projectile casing only.

Claim 12. (new) The projectile according to claim 11, wherein the means for activating, activates the charge at a predetermined time during the flight of the projectile.

Claim 13. (new) The projectile according to claim 12, wherein the means for activating is a timer.

Claim 14. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 11, wherein the fragment projectile is a subcaliber projectile provided with a propelling cage sabot.

Claim 15. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 14, wherein the fragments are spherical.

Claim 16. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 15, wherein the fragments comprise tungsten heavy metal.

Claim 17. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 11, wherein the means for activating includes a timer or proximity fuse to ignite the ejector charge.

Claim 18. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 11, wherein the fragments are spherical

Claim 19. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 18, wherein the fragments are formed of tungsten heavy metal.

Claim 20. (new) The fragment projectile according to claim 11, further comprising fins that stabilize the projectile during flight.